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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kea L. Bardeen
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**LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS,
PETITION TO EXCUSE ERRORS IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c), AND PAYMENT OF THIRD MAINTENANCE FEE**

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SIR:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.27(g)(2), the Patent Owner hereby informs the USPTO that the above-identified patent is no longer eligible for small entity status.

Additionally, this is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c) to excuse errors in the inadvertent assertion of small entity status at the time of payment of the second maintenance fee, to accept the payment of fees as a large entity for the above-identified patent, and to pay the third maintenance fee as a large entity.

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The present Patent Owner converted to a large entity in April, 2006. Notification of Loss of Entitlement was inadvertently not filed in the USPTO at that time. The second maintenance fee was paid on January 19, 2009, as a small entity, without intent to deceive.

Since the second maintenance fee was paid after the conversion by the Patent Owner to a large entity, i.e., April, 2006, the following fee is being submitted herewith:

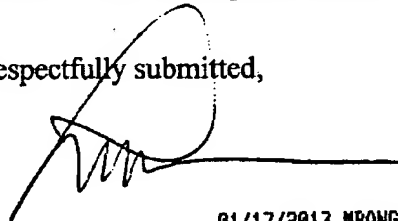
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The total deficiency payment of **\$1610** is being paid, by authorization to charge to a credit card, concurrent with the filing of this Petition.

The third maintenance fee of **\$4730** is also being paid concurrent with the filing of this Petition, by authorization to charge a credit card.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required in connection with this submission, or to credit any overpayment, to USPTO Deposit Account No. 503111.

Respectfully submitted,



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